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TAGS: TGEN, OECD

SUBJECT: OECD/CSTP: INTERNATIONAL DATA FLOWS

REF: PARIS 37296

1. APPRECIATE REFTEL REPORT ON ICCP MEETING AND ON FORTH-  
COMING DISCUSSIONS AT EXCOM ON PROPOSAL FOR NEW GROUP ON  
INTERNATIONAL DATA PROBLEMS. FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE THAT  
MISSION HAS REQUESTED.

2. WE SUPPORT FORMATION OF THE NEW BODY, AND WELCOME  
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EARLY NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSAL BY SECRETARY GENERAL TO  
EXCOM AS REFLECTION OF IMPORTANCE OF PROPOSED STEP. WE  
REGARD THE NEW HIGH LEVEL BODY AS THE APPROPRIATE VEHICLE  
FOR OECD ACTION ON CURRENT INTERNATIONAL ISSUES IN  
COMPUTER-COMMUNICATIONS FIELD. WHILE THE PROPOSED MANDATE  
SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY CSTP PRIOR TO ITS SUBMISSION TO  
THE COUNCIL FOR FINAL APPROVAL, THE COUNCIL IS THE PROPER

BODY FOR DECISION ON MANDATE.

3. THE VERSION OF THE DRAFT MANDATE AVAILABLE TO US IS A SECRETARIAT DRAFT THAT IS LABELLED "UNOFFICIAL" AND IS MARKED AS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY. THIS WORKING DOCUMENT CONTAINS SOME BOTHERSOME TERMINOLOGY IN PARA 3

RELATING TO "AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION". FIRST THE LANGUAGE EMPLOYED MIGHT BE INTERPRETED AS AUTHORIZING ACTUAL DRAFTING OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WITHOUT FURTHER REFERENCE TO THE COUNCIL. WHILE THE PROPOSED AD HOC GROUP SHOULD IDENTIFY PROBLEMS AND ISSUES RELEVANT TO POSSIBLE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS, WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO GIVE IT A MANDATE NOW TO BEGIN DRAFTING. SECOND, THE LANGUAGE PREJUDGES THE SUBSTANTIVE CONTENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, WITH MODIFIERS THAT IT BE "REGULATING" AND ON "PERSONAL DATA". THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS OF THE SCOPE OF AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON DATA PROCESSING SHOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF DETERMINATION BY THE PROPOSED AD HOC GROUP.

4. IN DISCUSSION BEFORE AND DURING EXCOM MEETING MISSION MAY DRAW UPON FOREGOING COMMENTS AT ITS DISCRETION. CHRISTOPHER

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